



Free North Church Inverness

3 December 2017

Welcome! Our minister, **Colin MacLeod**, will preach at both services today.

We are always glad to have visitors at our services. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the morning and evening services. Do wait if you can.

We are a congregation of the Free Church of Scotland. Together with all Christians, we worship One God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – and recognise that only through faith in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, can we receive forgiveness of sin and peace with God. Jesus Christ is therefore central in all our worship, as He is to our whole lives.

Blessed are those
who have learned
to acclaim you,
who walk in the
light of your
presence, Lord.
Psalm 89 v. 15

We use the New International Version of the Bible (red book) and we sing the metrical psalms (blue book). The Scripture readings and the psalms are also projected on to the walls on either side of the pulpit. We stand to sing and sit to pray. If you wish to give an offering to the Lord's work, there are boxes at the front and side doors as you leave. The service lasts about an hour.

There is a time of prayer before the services at 10.30am and 6.00pm.

We leave by the side door and the hall door after the Sunday services to minimise the heat loss from the front doors during the winter months.

Today

Sunday School and Bible Class for children aged 4-14; children leave after the second singing. **Christmas Party** for all young people in Sunday School and Creche and their families will be on Friday 15 December from 6.30 - 7.45pm.

Crèche: children and helpers leave after the second singing to meet upstairs.

The collection today is for the **Development Fund**.

Home Groups: the notes for the next meeting on 15 December and subsequent meetings are now available.

The **Christian Institute Autumn Newsletter** available in the Fellowship Area and side door. Also, a leaflet on 'Gnosticism' produced by CI is available. It is said, 'Millions of people today unknowingly hold Gnostic beliefs that are central to the transgender debate'. Please take a copy and read this very interesting, informative and relevant leaflet.

Morning Service – 11.00am			Evening Service – 6.30pm		
Psalms	Verses	Page	Psalms	Verses	Page
135	13-21	177	118	23-29	156
19	7-11	223	60	5-8	78
31	19-24	37	40	1-5	50
73a	13-20	94	116	12-19	154
<p>Reading: 1 Corinthians 8(p.1149) Title: <i>The Crucial Relationship between Conscience, Knowledge and Love</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life is Controlled by Conscience (v7, v9-12) Conscience is Strengthened by Knowledge (v4, v7) Knowledge is Balanced by Love (v1-3, v12-13) 			<p>Reading: Joshua 24 (p.239 or 240) Title: <i>Joshua's Final Farewell</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography (v1, v26) History (v2-13) Reality (v14-20) Sincerity (v21, v24) 		

This week

GGG meets in the Manse on Tuesday at 7.30pm, looking at 'The God who wants to comfort us'.

Tumbletots meets as usual.

Mid-week meeting on Wednesday at 7.30pm -prayer round tables

Office-bearers' prayer meeting on Thursday at 8.00am in the manse.

Road to Recovery: a meeting for those with addiction problems will be held in the Free North Hall on Thursday at 7.30pm (entry from Church St). If you have any queries, please phone 07918 775368 or 715809.

Kidzone on Thursday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm for primary age children in the hall (entry from Church St).

Christmas concert in aid of Tearfund at Inverness East Church, Academy Street on Thursday at 7.30pm. Tickets are £6 (available on-line or at the door). The touring musicians are Yvonne Lyon, Allan McKinlay, Ellyn Oliver and David Lyon.

The Likely Dads meets on Saturday from 10.30am to noon (entry by Church Street) for all Dads and male carers with babies and toddlers.

Other news

For those with smartphones, etc, you may wish to know that the **Wi-Fi password** for the Free North church is 1BankStreet.

From next Sunday, Martin Maclean will be compiling the weekly **notices**. Items for intimation should be sent to editor@freenorthchurch.org or phone Martin on 07810202598.

Congregational Rotas

Sunday Welcoming Teams

3 December: Alec, Ed, **Brian**, Frances (F); Anne, Vicky, Seumas (S)

10 December: Archie, Stewart, J MacAulay, Maureen (F); **Martin**, Janet, Mairi (S)

Mid-week: Finlay, Martin

Crèche

3 December: Eileen, Peggy, Catherine

10 December: Annis, Murina, Barbara

Heating: 3 December: Martin; 10 December: Rob

Counting rota: Team 3 start this week

Notes

Contact details

If you are new to the congregation and you would like a visit from a member of our pastoral team, please contact our minister, Colin Macleod (Tel: 01463 231981).

You can visit our website at www.freenorthchurch.org and our denomination at: www.freechurch.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FreeNorthFreeChurchofScotland

Notice Sheet: Any items for next week's notice sheet should be sent to editor@freenorthchurch.org or given to M Maclean by noon on Friday.